

D r a f t P r o p o s a l

MEDIAN STRIP PARKING PLAN
(Permit Parking with Stickers)

I GOAL

- A. to provide guaranteed, overnight parking at 3 locations on Beacon St. median strip, by permit only
- B. to provide daytime parking for residents, business community, merchants, on Beacon St. median strip, at metered spaces
- C. Proposal:

Ayer Rd. to Dean Rd.	80 spaces
Westbourne Terr to Marion St.	153
Powell St. to Carlton St.	80
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	313 spaces total

II IMPLEMENTATION

- A. Permit required for 14 hr, guaranteed overnight parking
6:00 PM to 8:00 AM, seven days a week
 - 1. \$30 mo x 313 = \$112,680 gross yrly income (100% capacity)
 - 2. residents of Brookline, cars registered in Massachusetts
 - 3. most recent excise tax paid
 - 4. permit holder must conform to traffic and parking regulations in Brookline
- B. Meters for daytime use - 8:00AM to 6:00PM, 10 hours
 - 1. .25¢ hr x 10 = \$2.50 day = \$15 week x 4.3 wks = \$64. per month
 - a. 100% capacity and no violations = \$242,262 yr
 - 2. strict meter enforcement if we do not want commuter parking
 - 3. strict meter enforcement to achieve yearly income
- C. Signage
 - 1. sufficient, posted signs to properly inform public of usage, restrictions, violations and penalties
 - 2. on-going informational program for public

D. Administration

1. parking manager
2. clerical help
3. Police enforcement
4. DPW clean and snow removal
5. Towing

III ENFORCEMENT

- A Strict enforcement of metered (daytime) and permit (overnight) parking regulations necessary for program to work and meet its stated goals

1. Towing

- a. Tow cars 6:00PM to 8:00AM in designated area without permit
- b. Tow cars 8:00AM to 6:00PM in designated area with permit

2. Ticketing - constant, strict enforcement necessary

- a. \$15 fine for feeding the meter during the day
- b. \$ 5 fine for not putting money in the meter
- c. \$ 5 fine for staying overtime and not putting extra money in meter

3. Monitoring

- a. strict monitoring at exit and entrance hours
 - 1) 8:00AM-9:00AM for overnight parkers to leave by 8:00AM
 - 2) 6:00PM-7:00PM for daytime parkers to leave by 6:00PM
- b. Police enforcement 2:00AM to 6:00AM

IV ESTIMATED COSTS

COST

A. Parking manager/ clerk

1. to manage program
2. billing and collection
3. manage permit system
4. manage spaces

B. 100 signs

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C. Police Personnel

1. traffic and parking violations
2. towing

D. DPW

1. clean median strip parking area
 - a. personnel
 - b. equipment
2. snow removal median strip parking area
 1. personnel
 2. equipment

E. Purchase parking meters at \$365 each

F. Paint lines for spaces on median strip

G. Print stickers for permit-holders

1. 1 color for each section

H. Liability Insurance

1. Stanhope - \$500,000 per person
 \$100,000 per occurrence
 \$250,000 property damage

V FACTORS TO CONSIDER

- A. complex and detailed administrative and enforcement procedures necessary for plan to work
- B. Diversion of Town employees to maintain and enforce program (Administrative, Police, DPW)
- C. Additional employee(s) need to be hired to implement program
- D. DPW would have to clean area and remove snow with 24 hour parking in place
- E. Commuter parking would be encouraged unless daytime parking regulations for business and community were strictly enforced
- F. During daytime hours (8:00AM to 6:00PM) permit parkers will be able to use daytime metered spaces on median strip unless new regulations are adopted.

VI DISADVANTAGE OF OVERNIGHT PERMIT PARKING PROGRAM

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VI DISADVANTAGES OF OVERNIGHT PERMIT PARKING PROGRAM
ON MEDIAN STRIP

- A. This program forces overnight, permit holders to systematically violate the 2 hr daytime parking regulation in Brookline. Where will the permit holders park during the hours 8:00AM to 6:00PM if they do not take their car to work?
- B. Possible dead storage of cars on median strip. How will illness, vacation, and holiday schedules be handled. On Saturdays and Sundays will there be 24 hr parking? Cars which need repair??
- C. 24 hour parking on the median strip will have a negative ecological effect on both the neighborhood and Brookline.
- D. The concept of increasing the number of daytime parking spaces on the median strip and providing guaranteed overnight, permit parking will encourage more cars in Brookline.
- E. This program will be a first-step for additional overnight median strip parking. It will be seen as a trial, and as unfair to those who want a larger program. It will lead to requests to provide additional overnight parking on the median strip.
- F. This program will be a first-step to on-street overnight parking.